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**OLR Bill Analysis****sHB 6484*****AN ACT CONCERNING THE AVAILABILITY OF ACCIDENT RECORDS OF THE STATE POLICE.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill sets a 30-day deadline for the State Police to make accident records available to people who were involved in an accident that is the subject of the record. Under current law, such records are available for public inspection after the final disposition of any criminal action arising from the accident, but they are available to people involved in the accident at an unspecified time after a warrant or summons is issued. This bill makes the records available to people involved in the accident after the warrant or summons is issued or 30 days after the accident, whichever is earlier.

The bill applies to any memorandum, sketch, chart, written statement, report, or photograph the State Police obtained, prepared, or created in its investigation of an accident in which someone was injured or property damaged. By law, the record must be preserved for at least 10 years from the date of the accident.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2011

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 23      Nay 0      (03/15/2011)